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SUBJECT: CURRENT FOREIGN RELATIONS ARTICLE ON SEA ACCESS
FOR BOLIVIA

REF: CURRENT FOREIGN RELATIONS ISSUE NO. 48, LIMA 10627,
LIMA 10672, STATE 288626

1. WITH REGARD TO THE ARTICLE IN THE DECEMBER 1 CFR ENTITLED
"SEA ACCESS FOR BOLIVIA: BACK TO SQUARE ONE", WE ARE UNAWARE
THAT THE PERUVIAN COUNTER-PROPOSAL ENVISAGED TRIPARTITE ADMINI-
STRATION OF THE ENTIRE PORT OF ARICA. RATHER, THE PERUVIAN
FONMINISTRY INFORMED US THAT THEY WERE THINKING OF AN
INTERNATIONAL ZONE AS PART OF THE PORT OF ARICA (LIMA 10672,
PARA 2). PERUVIAN FONMINISTRY COMMUNIQUE ON THE PERUVIAN COUNTER-
PROPOSAL SETS AS A CONDITION "THE CREATION OF A TRI-NATIONAL
PORT AURHORITY IN THE PORT OF ARICA" (LIMA 10627, PARA 7A).

2. ABOVE MAY BE SIMPLY QUESTION OF SEMANTICS. MORE IMPORTANT,
WE ARE UNAWARE THAT THE PERUVIANS HAVE ASKED U.S.
SUPPORT FOR THEIR COUNTER-PROPOSAL, AND THAT WE HAVE
DECLINED. STATE 288626 DOES NOT MENTION ANY SUCH REQUEST
OR REFUSAL.

3. WE HOPE THE DEPARTMENT WILL CLARIFY THESE POINTS. DEAN

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